

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended) An aquarium comprising:

a container defined by one or more substantially vertical walls and a base portion, the container having an interior portion adapted to receive and contain a liquid; and

a recess located on at least one of the one or more substantially vertical walls, wherein the recess extends into the interior portion of the container and includes a translucent or transparent surface adapted to transmit light to the interior portion of the container.

Claim 2 (currently amended) The aquarium of claim 1, further comprising ~~a light suitable for generating~~ a light source for illuminating the interior portion of the container.

Claim 3 (currently amended) The aquarium of claim 2, wherein the light source is located in the recess formed in the one or more walls.

Claim 4 (original) The aquarium of claim 1, wherein the recess portion is defined by a translucent or transparent support member and a shelf member joined therewith.

Claim 5 (original) The aquarium of claim 4, wherein the support member and shelf member are integrally formed with at least one of the one or more walls.

Claim 6 (currently amended) The aquarium of claim 5, wherein the ~~material of the aquarium includes~~ a one or more walls comprises plastic.

Claim 7 (currently amended) The aquarium of claim 1, wherein the ~~material of the aquarium includes~~ a one or more walls comprises glass.

Claim 8 (currently amended) The aquarium of claim 1, wherein the one or more walls includes, a front wall, a back wall and two side walls and wherein at least one wall is substantially planar.

Claim 9 (original) The aquarium of claim 8, wherein the recess is formed in the back wall.

Claim 10 (currently amended) The aquarium of claim 1, further including comprising an attachment feature located on at least one of the one or more walls, wherein the attachment feature is adapted to assist in securing ~~an aquatic decorations or live rock.~~

Claim 11 (currently amended) The aquarium of claim 1, further including comprising an attachment feature located on the interior of the recess portion.

Claim 12 (original) The aquarium of claim 1, wherein the height of the container is greater than about 2 feet.

Claim 13 (currently amended) A method of forming an aquarium comprising the steps of:

forming a recess in one or more substantially vertical wall portions, wherein the recess includes a transparent or translucent surface adapted to support a light source and transmit light therethrough; and

attaching the one or more substantially vertical wall portions to a base to form a container having an interior portion adapted to receive and contain a liquid.

Claim 14 (new) An aquarium comprising:

a container defined by one or more walls and a base portion, the container having an interior portion adapted to receive and contain a liquid; and

a recess located on at least one of the one or more walls, wherein the recess extends into the interior portion of the container and includes a translucent or transparent surface adapted to transmit light to the interior portion of the container, wherein the recess portion is defined by a support member and a shelf member

joined therewith, and wherein the support member and shelf member are integrally formed with at least one of the one or more walls.

Claim 15 (new) The aquarium of claim 14, further comprising a light source for illuminating the interior portion of the container.

Claim 16 (new) The aquarium of claim 15, wherein the light source is located in the recess formed in the one or more walls.

Claim 17 (new) The aquarium of claim 16, wherein the one or more walls comprises plastic.

Claim 18 (new) An aquarium comprising:

a container defined by one or more walls and a base portion, the container having an interior portion adapted to receive and contain a liquid; and

a support member formed with at least one of the one or more walls, wherein the support member extends into the interior portion of the container and is adapted to assist in securing decorations or live rock.

Claim 19 (new) The aquarium of claim 18, further comprising a shelf member joined with the support member, wherein the support member and shelf member are integrally formed with at least one of the one or more walls.

Claim 20 (new) The aquarium of claim 18, further comprising an attachment feature located on the interior of the support member.